



**Newton Leys**  
Primary School & Nursery

# Year 2 Classroom Newsletter

## Curriculum for the Summer Term

**Hello and welcome back.** We are very excited about our summer term and all the learning we have in store. It has been an extremely busy start to the term with the children settling in really well! They are working well together, and have already had an exciting visit from 'Zoolab' to kick off our topic.

Our first exciting topic this half term is Wriggle and Crawl, read on for a taste of what we will be up to...

Grab your raincoat and wellies – we're going out and about on a minibeast hunt. Sweep your nets in ponds and lift up logs to see who's home. Then set up a minibeast laboratory and observe their every move. Add notes and labels and ask research questions, just like a real entomologist. Learn about bees and worms and butterflies too.



## **Maths**

Our first focus for maths in summer term is multiplication and division. Which will focus on children being able to use their 2, 5 and 10 times table to solve problems (including 2 step problems). We will be recapping children's knowledge of odd and even numbers. Finally, we will move onto division this will be taught as the inverse to multiplication and we will look at grouping and sharing using bar models. In summer 2, we will focus on the properties of 2D and 3D shapes as well as finding fractions of numbers and shapes.

## **English**

Our skills focus for this half term will be spellings, contractions, conjunctions (and, but, so, because, when, that, It), prefixes (un) /suffixes (ly, ed), tenses and word classes (verb, nouns, adjectives, adverbs)

During this half term, we will be focusing on a wishing tale (an example of a wishing tale is 'King Midas Golden Touch'). We will be developing character descriptions and settings with a key focus on our school's non-negotiables.

Year 2 Non-negotiables: handwriting, spelling common exception words, capital letters, full stops and finger spacing.



## **Homework**

With such a big emphasis being on reading, we would recommend reading every day for roughly 15 minutes and recording this in your child's reading record.

Children are also encouraged to bring in a reading book of their choice from home as we will not be visiting the library and the amount of books available in class will be limited.

Spellings will be given out on a Thursday for a test the following Thursday.

## **P.E**

P.E lessons will take place on Monday. Children need to attend school in their P.E kit and therefore will not need to keep one in school.

## **Labelling your child's belongings:**

Please can we remind you that all children's clothing and belongings should be clearly labelled to prevent them from getting lost.

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